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SEPARATION CARTRIDGE AND GAS PURIFICATION ASSEMBLY

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEESHonorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

(A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the above-identified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

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